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***Via ECF***

The Honorable John F. Keenan  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Graves, et al.*, 18 Cr. 146 (JFK)

Dear Judge Keenan:

We represent Vernon Walker in the above-referenced matter. We write to respectfully request that the Court schedule a substitution of counsel hearing for Mr. Walker. Mr. Walker has informed us that he would like new counsel appointed to represent him. Accordingly, we respectfully request that the Court schedule a substitution of counsel hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

César de Castro  
Valerie A. Gotlib

cc: all counsel of record (*via* ECF)